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MS PATENT APPLICATION
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): ENOMURA, Shinichi

For: PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FLUID, AND
DEAERATOR THEREWITH

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of Sixty-Five (65) pages
- ☒ Eighteen (18) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☒ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-207533, 2002-321018, and 2002-340374 filed in JAPAN on July 16, 2002, November 5, 2002, and November 25, 2002.
- ☒ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.

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☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

a. ☒ --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) on Patent Application No(s). 2002-207533, 2002-321018, and 2002-340374 filed in JAPAN on July 16, 2002, November 5, 2002, and November 25, 2002, which is(are) herein incorporated by reference.--

b. ☐ --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on U.S. Provisional Application No(s). filed on , which is(are) herein incorporated by reference.--

☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

☒ Preliminary Amendment

☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)

☐ Other: _____

☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

☐ Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) (2) (B) (i)

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- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,206.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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